I am very concerned about Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. No media outlet serving the public should be subject to such coercion. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. We should be able to trust the FCC to hold media owners to that obligation. We deserve more substantive news about issues that matter, not dirty politics.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.